

CITY OF CLEWISTON  
PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD  
Regular Meeting  
October 1, 2012

Mr. Hughes called a regular meeting of the Clewiston Planning and Zoning Board to order at 5:30 p.m., in the City Hall Commission Chambers, 115 West Ventura Avenue.

ATTENDANCE:

Members Present:

Lewell Hughes  
Haitham Kaki  
Vic McCorvey

Members Absent:

Sassy Whitehead

City Personnel Present:

Travis Reese  
Debbi Towner

City Attorney Present:

Charlie Schoech

Visitors Present:

Miriam Baker, Michael Gervasi, Jim Larue, Laura Smith

Approval of Minutes.

Mr. McCorvey made a motion, seconded by Mr. Kaki to approve the minutes of the August 6, 2012 meeting. Motion passed unanimously on a voice vote – 3 ayes.

Mr. Schoech swore in all members of the audience who were planning to testify as this is a quasi-judicial meeting.

Agenda Item #1:      Small Scale Future Land Use Amendment to Comprehensive Plan from Florida Community Health Centers, Inc.

Mr. Reese turned the podium over to Mr. Jim LaRue of LaRue Planning. Mr. LaRue stated the reason for the change is that both lots in question, #1 and #18 of Block 451, are zoned multi-family (R-2) on the existing and future land use maps. The request is to rezone from R-2 to Commercial on these two (2) lots. Mr. LaRue further stated that the request is consistent with the policies and objectives of the comprehensive plan and recommends approval of the request.

Mr. Hughes then asked Mr. Gervasi, CEO of the Florida Community Health Centers, Inc., to speak about the reasons for expanding the parking lot. Florida Community Health Centers, Inc. has purchased lot #18 so that they can expand their parking area with hopes of expanding the clinic in the future. The Florida Community Health Centers, Inc. is a federally funded, non-profit facility that sees mainly under-insured individuals.

Mr. McCorvey made a motion to recommend approval of the small scale amendment to the comprehensive plan and future land use map, seconded by Mr. Kaki. Motion passed on a voice vote – 3 ayes.

Agenda Item #2:      Rezoning request from Florida Community Health Centers, Inc.

The rezoning to Commercial is requested in conjunction with the small scale amendment to the comprehensive plan so that zoning will allow the use of the properties for parking. They intend to demolish the existing structure on lot #18 and make improvements to the lot, expanding their parking area for the clinic.

Mr. McCorvey made a motion to recommend approval of the rezoning, seconded by Mr. Kaki. Motion passed on a voice vote – 3 ayes.

Adjournment

The motion to adjourn was made by Mr. McCorvey, seconded by Mr. Kaki at 6:06 p.m.

Submitted by: Tom Reese, Director of Building & Zoning  
Approved by: Haitham Kaki, Chairman